Displacement of Minorities

1424. SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Muslims have been displaced and deprived of their means of livelihood because of displacement from traditional occupation; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) and (b) In a rapidly developing economy, the distribution of the workforce across communities and across sectors undergoes change.

Some information in respect of the Muslim community is contained in Chapter IV of the report of the High Level Committee on the Social, Economic and Educational Status of the Muslim Community of India available on the Ministry's website www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.

School beyond primary level in muslim localities

1425. SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that schools beyond the primary level are very few in Muslim localities; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) and (b) Primary and Secondary education, are mainly the responsibility of State Governments and therefore, most of the schools are also under State Governments.

Action plan for alternative sources of energy

1426. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the action plan of Government to tap alternative sources of energy to meet the future needs;